



# State Historic Preservation Office

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### May is Preservation Month

Check out the [web](#) resources from the National Trust for Historic Preservation to help celebrate Preservation Month 2023, with the theme "People Saving Places". The [National Register of Historic Places program](#) is also featuring historic places, travel tours, teaching with historic places lesson plans. Preservation South Carolina is sharing stories of people doing great preservation work across the state on their [Facebook page](#). Local communities with Preservation Month events include [City of Columbia](#) and Charleston ([Preservation Society of Charleston](#) and [Historic Charleston](#)).

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### Historical Markers Price Increases

Sewah Studios, which manufactures the South Carolina Historical Markers, recently announced price increases. The new prices are effective May 1, 2023 to April 30, 2024.

- **City-Size:** Same text both sides with 7' post \$2,380.00; Different text each side with 7' post \$2,630.00
- **Country-Size:** Same text both sides with 7' post \$2,540.00; Different text each side with 7' post \$2,750.00

Information about the historical marker program can be found at [the Historical Markers link](#).

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## 2023 Preservation Conference Presentations Available

Thank you to everyone who participated in the 2023 South Carolina Historic Preservation Conference, from speakers and exhibitors to all of those who drove in the early morning hours to attend the conference. Everyone's presence added to the event's success. Presentations are now on online and [available at the Statewide Historic Preservation Conference link](#). Please save the date for next year's conference, April 26, 2024.

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## Job Opening at the South Carolina SHPO

The SC Department of Archives and History is currently accepting applications for the following position in the South Carolina State Historic Preservation Office. Each job posting link includes information about the job duties, qualifications, and application process. Please share this information with those who may be interested in applying.

**African American History Consultant:** [Click here to access the Job Posting](#) on the South Carolina state jobs website <https://careers.sc.gov>. This position provides support to the SC African American Heritage Commission and promotes the recognition of African American historic places using historic preservation programs.

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## South Carolina HBCUs Receive Preservation Grants

The State, Tribal, Local, Plans and Grants program of the National Park Service [recently awarded \\$9.7 million](#) to 14 projects in ten states as part of the Historic Preservation Fund's Historically Black Colleges and Universities grant program, which focuses on the repair of historic structures on the campuses of Historically Black Colleges and Universities (HBCUs). Four projects in South Carolina will receive grants:

- Morgan Hall, Benedict College
- Antidel Chapel, Benedict College
- Coppin Hall, Allen University
- Wilkinson Hall, South Carolina State University

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## America's 11 Most Endangered Historic Places 2023 List

The National Trust for Historic Preservation recently announced the list of [11 Most Endangered Historic Places for 2023](#). Included on the list are Charleston's historic neighborhoods that will be impacted by the redevelopment of the Union Pier site.

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## Recent National Historic Landmark Theme Studies from the National Park Service

The National Historic Landmark program of the National Park Services has published several theme studies on a variety of historic resources, which include:

- African American Outdoor Recreation
- Protecting America: Cold War Defensive Sites
- Labor History in the United States
- American Latino NHL Registration Guidelines

The complete list of NHL Theme Studies is available [here](#).

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## Conferences / Workshops & Training / Events

**NEW** Check out the [events calendar](#) on the **SC 250<sup>th</sup> Commission** website for a range of events and programs related to the American Revolution in South Carolina.

**NEW** The **2<sup>nd</sup> Annual SCDNR Archaeology Summer** series is now accepting registrations for a series of hands-on free archaeology programs on Saturday mornings (from June 10 to July 8, 2023) at the Parker Annex Archaeology Center in Columbia. Instruction. More information about each program and registration can be found at this [link](#).

The **Advisory Council on Historic Preservation** offers a wide range of training options from free online e-Learning Courses, to Section 106 webinars (registration required), and Classroom Training (currently digital classrooms). More information is available at <https://www.achp.gov/training>.

**NEW Historic Tax Credit Summit**, June 15-16, 2023, Washington, DC. This conference offered by IPED will focus on the federal and state historic tax credits used in the rehabilitation of historic buildings. More information including the agenda and registration on [the Summit web page](#).

**Association for Gravestone Studies Conference and Annual Meeting**, June 20-25, 2023, University of Denver, CO. The schedule and registration information are at [this link](#). Conference registration will include a virtual option for those who cannot attend in person. Virtual attendance will include regular paper sessions, evening lectures, and the annual meeting as technology allows.

**Docomomo US 2023 National Symposium "Complexities of the Modern American City"**, June 21-24, 2023, New Haven, CT. The Docomomo US National Symposium is the primary event in the United States for those interested in the preservation of modern architecture. More information is available at <https://www.docomomo-us.org/events/national-symposium>.

**NEW South Carolina Statewide Historic Preservation Awards**, June 27, 2023, Columbia. The 2023 Statewide Historic Preservation Awards ceremony is scheduled for June 27 at 2:00 pm at the State House. For more information please contact Joanna Rothell of Preservation South Carolina at [joanna@preservesc.org](mailto:joanna@preservesc.org).

**American Association for State and Local History Conference**, September 6-9, 2023, Boise, ID. Click on [the 2023 annual conference link](#) for more information about the conference, based on the theme "I, Too, Am America".

**Georgia Statewide Historic Preservation Conference**, September 13-15, 2023, Augusta, GA. The conference will be presented by the Georgia Trust for Historic Preservation and the Georgia Historic Preservation Division (HPD). More information including registration is available on the [conference web page](#). **They are accepting session proposals until July 14, 2023.**

**NEW 2nd Annual Preserving Historic Cemeteries Workshop**, September 21, 2023, Columbia. Please save the date for this workshop sponsored by the SC Archives & History Foundation to be held at the SC Archives & History Center. More information will soon be posted on the [Foundation's events webpage](#). To sign up to receive notices about the event please email Donna Foster at [dfoster@scdah.sc.gov](mailto:dfoster@scdah.sc.gov).

**Southeast Chapter of the Society of Architectural Historians (SESAH) Conference**, September 27-30, 2023, Little Rock, AR. Find more information [here](#).

**Preservation North Carolina 2023 Annual Conference**, October 4-6, 2023, Durham, NC. Please visit <https://www.presnc.org/experience/conference/> for more information.

**Window Preservation Summit V**, October 8-13, 2023, Bledsoe, KY. The Window Preservation Standards Collaborative (WPSC) is hosting Window Preservation Summit V on October 8-13 at the Pine Mountain Settlement School in Bledsoe, KY. Check out details at <https://windowstandards.org/>.

**Commemoration and Memorialization of Historic Cemeteries Research Symposium**, October 9-10, 2023, Clemson. Sponsored by the Woodland Cemetery and African American Burial Ground Historic Preservation Project and Legacy Council at Clemson University, the conference is currently accepting proposals for panels or individual papers that address topics related to memorialization, community engagement, documentation, and cemetery care (see full list of topics and instructions in the [Call for Papers](#)). **Proposals submitted by July 31, 2023 will receive full consideration.**

**American Revolution Symposium**, November 18, 2023, Columbia, SC. Save the date for the annual symposium featuring programs and exhibits on the American Revolution in South Carolina. The complete schedule and registration will be available in July 2023 on the [SC Archives & History Foundation event's webpage](#)

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### Grant Application Deadlines

**June 1, 2023 National Trust Preservation Funds.** Grants from the National Trust Preservation Funds encourage preservation at the local level by providing seed money for preservation projects and are awarded to nonprofit organizations and public agencies, with the majority of funds awarded to planning and education programs. Grants are awarded annually in three competitive rounds. For more information and how to apply visit <https://savingplaces.org/grants#.XcBeJVVKjDA.4>.

**July 11, 2023 History of Equal Rights Grants Program.** The National Park Service is now accepting applications for the [History of Equal Rights \(HER\) grant program](#). Congress has appropriated \$5 million for the FY 2023 grants. Grant projects fund physical preservation or pre-preservation of sites associated with efforts to achieve

equal rights. The History of Equal Rights grants are not limited to any specific group and are intended to include the broadest possible interpretation of equal rights for any American.

**July 18, 2023 Underrepresented Communities Grants.** The National Park Service's [Underrepresented Communities Grant Program](#) (URC) is now accepting applications for FY2023 competitive grants. The National Park Service's Underrepresented Communities Grant Program (URC) works towards diversifying the nominations submitted to the National Register of Historic Places. Projects include surveys and inventories of historic properties associated with communities underrepresented in the National Register, as well as the development of nominations to the National Register for specific sites. Congress has appropriated \$1.25 million for the 2023 URC Grant Program.

**August 9, 2023 SC Humanities Major Grants.** Major Grants (up to \$15,000 effective July 1, 2023) support public programs designed to be accessible by a broad audience, to serve citizens in urban, rural, and small-town settings, and to make possible humanities programs that illuminate and enrich the lives of both audiences and scholars. Drafts are strongly encouraged and will be accepted any time prior to the deadline. For more information visit <http://schumanities.org/grants/howtoapply> or contact [tjwallace@schumanities.org](mailto:tjwallace@schumanities.org).

**Monthly, SC Humanities Council Mini Grants.** SC Humanities awards Mini Grants to support public humanities programs of modest cost, with awards of \$2,500 or less. (Starting July 1, the maximum amount will be \$5,000.) Applications are reviewed monthly with deadlines on the first business day of the month. For more information, please visit <https://schumanities.org/grants/howtoapply/#minigrants>.

**Monthly, SC Humanities Council Planning Grants.** SC Humanities awards Planning Grants to support preliminary work in designing a project that warrants detailed planning because of its length, scope, or cost. Awards are \$2,500 or less. (Starting July 1, the maximum amount will be \$5,000.) Planning Grants are reviewed monthly with deadlines on the first business day of the month. For more information, please visit <https://schumanities.org/grants/howtoapply/#planninggrants>.

#### **Online sources of grant information:**

[Historicfunding database](#)

[National Park Service State, Tribal, Local, Plans & Grants Division](#)

[National Trust for Historic Preservation Special Grant Funds](#)

[Preservation Directory Grants & Funding Resources](#)

[State Library Grants Research Assistance](#)

[SC Grantmakers Network](#)

[Federal grants](#) Grants.gov

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Note: If a link is not working, copy the entire URL and paste it into the address bar of your web browser.

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The South Carolina Department of Archives and History is an independent state agency whose mission is to preserve and promote the documentary and cultural heritage of the Palmetto State. The department houses one of the most comprehensive state archival collections in the nation, spanning more than 325 years of South Carolina history. The State Historic Preservation Office (SHPO), a program of the SCDAH, encourages and facilitates the responsible stewardship of South Carolina's irreplaceable historic and prehistoric places.

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